

Senator Homan moved a call of the Senate. Call seconded. Roll called; Senate full.

By consent, Senator Duncan withdrew his motion for the previous question on the amendment.

Senator Duncan moved the previous question. Not seconded.

Senator Gooch moved to postpone the consideration of the bill and make it the special order for to-morrow morning after morning call. Adopted by the following vote:

YEAS—24.

Brown,	Houston,	Shannon,
Buchanan,	Lair,	Stewart,
Burton,	Martin,	Stubbs,
Davenport,	McLane,	Swain,
Gooch,	McDonald,	Terrell,
Harris,	Moore,	Tilson,
Hightower,	Rainey,	Weatherred,
Homan,	Ross,	Wynne.

NAYS—5.

Burges,	Duncan,	Patton.
Davis,	Lightfoot,	

On motion of Senator Tilson, the Senate adjourned till 9:30 a. m. to-morrow.

### SEVENTEENTH DAY.

SENATE CHAMBER,  
AUSTIN, TEXAS, April 25, 1882. }

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

Roll called; quorum present.

Prayer by the Rev. A. E. Goodwin, D. D., of the M. E. Church South.

On motion of Senator Swain, the reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

Senator Stewart, chairman of Judiciary Committee No. 2, submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, April 25, 1882.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Bureson and Lee counties to be exempted from the operation of the laws prohibiting the killing of deer and the catching or taking of wild turkeys, partridges or pennated grouse in certain seasons of the year, beg leave to report that because his Excellency, the Governor, has failed to embrace the matters complained of by petitioners in his proclamation and messages, the Legislature has not the power to grant the relief prayed for, and they therefore recommend that the petition be not granted.

STEWART, Chairman.

Senator Ross, chairman of Committee on Finance, submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, April 25, 1882.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 41, entitled "An act to ascertain the deficiencies of the several departments of the State government for the year ending February 28, 1882, and amounts due individuals, and to make appropriations to pay the same," have had said bill under consideration, and have instructed me to report it back with recommendation that it pass.

ROSS, Chairman.

Bill read first time with favorable report of committee.

Senator Homan, chairman of Committee on Public Printing, submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, April 25, 1882.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Public Printing have carefully considered House bill No. 56, "An act to amend articles 1026, 1027, 1028, 1029, 1030, 1031 and 1032 of chapter 5, title 26, and articles 1077, 1078, 1079, 1080, 1081 and 1082, of chapter 15, title 26, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, approved February 21, 1879," and a majority of the committee instruct me to report recommending the passage of the bill with the accompanying amendments.

HOMAN, for Committee.

First committee amendment: "In article 1030, strike out "five dollars and fifty cents" and insert "six dollars."

Second committee amendment: Add to last section of bill as follows: "Provided, that nothing contained in this act shall be held to apply to volumes of reports the manuscript of which is now in the hands of the publisher."

Bill read first time, with committee amendments.

House bill on congressional apportionment, being the special order for this morning after the morning call, was taken up, amendment of Senator Houston pending.

Senator Swain moved to recommit the bill with amendments. Lost by the following vote:

YEAS—13.

Brown,	Lightfoot,	Stewart,
Burton,	Martin,	Swain,
Davis,	Rainey,	Terrell,
Homan,	Shannon,	Weatherred.
Houston,		

NAYS—16.

Buchanan,	Hightower,	Patton,
Burges,	Lair,	Ross,
Davenport,	McLane,	Stubbs,
Duncan,	McDonald,	Tilson,
Gooch,	Moore,	Wynne.
Harris,		

A message was received from the House announcing the passage by that body of House joint resolution No. 1, "Authorizing the Board of Statistics to apply such portion of the existing appropriation as may be necessary for the payment of statistical clerks."

Also, substitute House bill No. 20, "An act to amend articles 4666 and 4668 of the Revised Statutes." Referred by the President to Committee on Finance.

Also, House bill No. 73, "An act to attach the unorganized county of Crockett to the county of Kinney for judicial purposes." Referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

The President gave notice of the signing of Senate bill No. 39, "An act to authorize district judges to fix times for holding district courts in newly organized counties."

Also, Senate bill No. 38, "An act to provide temporary shelter for the lunatics in the asylum, rendered necessary by the recent burning of one of the Lunatic Asylum buildings."

Senator Patton, chairman of Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, April 25, 1882.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have examined Senate bill No. 42, "An act to provide for running and marking the boundary line between the State of Texas and the Territory of the United States," etc., etc., and find the same correctly engrossed.

PATTON, Chairman.

Senator Homan, for chairman of joint select committee on the part of the Senate to provide quarters for State departments, submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, April 25, 1882.

Hon. Geo. R. Reeves, Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Your joint committee to provide permanent quarters for the Legislature and the other departments of the State government beg leave to report that they have received and considered several propositions looking to the purchase by the State of buildings for that purpose as well as for the repairing of the old capitol, and have decided to recommend the repair of the old capitol, and refitting the same for the accommodation of the Legislature and the Comptroller's and Treasurer's departments, the cost of which has been estimated by a competent architect at ten thousand dollars.

To provide for the other State departments and the courts, the committee advise the purchase by the State of the building known as the Brueggerhoff building on the east side of Congress avenue, at the price of thirty-five thousand dollars, upon the condition that said Brueggerhoff shall repurchase the same when it shall be vacated by the State and repay the said sum of \$35,000.

Your committee had before them the proposition to sell to the State what is known as the Raymond House, for the sum of \$45,000, but deemed it not advisable to accept the same because the price is far above what the building could be sold for to an individual, and there is no offer to repurchase the same from the State at any price. It will require a large sum to fit the Raymond House for occupancy by the State,—at least as much as to repair the old capitol,—and as property located where it is is not likely to increase in value, the committee do not deem the Raymond House a good investment.

Mr. Brueggerhoff agrees, and is to execute a bond of \$30,000, that he will repurchase his building at the price of \$35,000, and accept it as the State may leave it. It will require \$2500 to make needed changes in the Brueggerhoff building, and to cover this as well as the purchase of the building, and the expense of removing and fitting up the several departments, your committee deem an appropriation of \$50,000 necessary. By the arrangement proposed in this report, the total expense of providing accommodation for the entire State government will not exceed the sum of \$15,000, and the interest on \$35,000 from this time until the completion of the new capitol, which is much the best arrangement your committee have been able to make.

The committee herewith submit a bill embodying the matters herein referred to, and respectfully recommend its passage.

H. W. LIGHTFOOT,

W. K. HOMAN,

Senate Committee.

J. J. FAULK,

C. R. GIBSON,

B. D. TARLETON.

Bill read first time.

Consideration of apportionment bill resumed, amendment of Senator Houston pending.

Senator Duncan moved a call of the Senate. Call seconded.

Roll called. Senate full.

Senator Houston's amendment was lost by the following vote:

#### YEAS—13.

Burton,  
Davis,  
Homan,  
Houston,  
Lightfoot,

Martin,  
Rainey,  
Shannon,  
Stewart,

Stubbs,  
Swain,  
Terrell,  
Weathered.

#### NAYS—16.

Brown,  
Buchanan,  
Burgess,  
Davenport,  
Duncan,  
Goode,

Harris,  
Hightower,  
Lair,  
McLane,  
McDonald,

Moore,  
Patton,  
Ross,  
Tilson,  
Wynne.

Senator Buchanan entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which Senator Davis' amendment was defeated yesterday.

Senator Houston offered the following substitute for the apportionment bill and amendments:

A bill to be entitled an act to apportion the State of Texas into eleven congressional districts, and to provide for the election of one member of the House of Representatives to the Congress of the United States from each of said districts.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas,* That the State of Texas shall be apportioned and divided into eleven districts, composed of the counties hereinafter named, from each one of which districts there shall be elected, at the time and in the manner provided by this act, one member of the House of Representatives in the Congress of the United States.

Sec. 2. The First Congressional District shall be composed of the following counties, to-wit: Henderson, Anderson, Houston, Cherokee, Nacogdoches, Shelby, Sabine, San Augustine, Angelina, Trinity, Polk, Tyler, Jasper, Newton, Orange, Jefferson, Hardin, Liberty, San Jacinto and Chambers.

2. The Second Congressional District shall be composed of the following counties, to-wit: Rusk, Panola, Gregg, Harrison, Upshur, Camp, Marion, Cass, Morris, Titus, Red River and Bowie.

3. The Third Congressional District shall be composed of the following counties, to-wit: Harris, Montgomery, Grimes, Walker, Leon, Madison, Brazos, Robertson, Limestone and Freestone.

4. The Fourth Congressional District shall be composed of the following counties, to-wit: Navarro, Hill, McLennan, Bosque, Erath, Coryell, Hamilton, Brown, Comanche, Eastland, Stephens and Palo Pinto.

5. The Fifth Congressional District shall be composed of the following counties, to-wit: Dallas, Rockwall, Kaufman, Ellis, Johnson, Hood, Parker and Tarrant.

6. The Sixth Congressional District shall be composed of the following counties, to-wit: Van Zandt, Smith, Wood, Rains, Hunt, Hopkins, Franklin, Fannin, Delta and Lamar.

7. The Seventh Congressional District shall be composed of the following counties, to-wit: Collin, Grayson, Denton, Cooke, Wise, Jack, Young, Archer, Wichita, Clay and Montague.

8. The Eighth Congressional District shall be composed of the following counties, to-wit: Galveston, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Waller, Austin, Washington, Burleson, Milam, Falls and Bell.

9. The Ninth Congressional District shall be composed of the following counties, to-wit: Matagorda, Victoria, Jackson, Wharton, Colorado, Lavaca, DeWitt, Gonzales, Guadalupe, Caldwell, Fayette, Calhoun, Bastrop and Lee.

10. The Tenth Congressional District shall be composed of the following counties, to-wit: Kinney, Uvalde, Medina, Bexar, Wilson, Karnes, Atascosa, Frio, Zavalla, Maverick, Dimmitt, La Salle, McMullen, Live Oak, Goliad, Bee, San Patricio, Nueces, Duval, Encinal, Webb, Zapata, Hidalgo and Cameron.

11. The Eleventh Congressional District shall be composed of the following counties, to-wit: Crockett, Bandera, Kendall, Hays, Travis, Blanco, Burnet, Williamson, Lampasas, San Saba, Llano, Mason, Gillespie, Kerr, Conal, Edwards, Menard, Kimble, McCulloch, Concho, Tom Green, Pecos, Presidio, El Paso, Runnels, Coleman, Callahan, Taylor, Nolan, Mitchell, Howard, Martin, Andrews, Gaines, Dawson, Borden, Scurry, Fisher, Jones, Shackelford, Throckmorton, Haskell, Stonewall, Kent, Garza, Lind, Terry, Yoakum, Cochran, Hockley, Lubbock, Crosby, Dickens, King, Knox, Baylor, Wilbarger, Hardeman, Cottle, Motley, Floyd, Hale, Lamb, Bailey, Farmer, Castro, Swisher, Briscoe, Hall, Childress, Greer, Collingsworth, Donley, Armstrong, Randall, Deaf Smith, Oldham, Potter, Carson, Grey, Wheeler, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Moore, Hartley, Dallam, Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree and Lipscomb.

Sec. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That the members of Congress from the districts aforesaid shall be elected at the next general election to be had in the State of Texas, and that said election shall be held under and in conformity with the law now in force regulating elections in this State.

The President ruled that the substitute must lie on the table until the original bill is perfected.

Senator Buchanan called up his motion to reconsider the vote by which Senator Davis' amendment was lost yesterday and moved its reconsideration. Adopted and vote reconsidered.

Senator Davis' amendment adopted.

Senator Houston entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which the second committee amendment was adopted yesterday, and moved to reconsider.

Senator Duncan moved the previous question on bill and amendment.

Senator Terrell asked that the motion be withdrawn to permit an amendment to be offered. Withdrawn. He then offered the following amendment: Add Parker to the Sixth District, Coryell to the Tenth District and Coleman and Runnels to the Eleventh. Withdrawn.

Senator Duncan moved the previous question on the bill and substitutes. Motion seconded. Withdrawn by permission to give Senator Homan opportunity to offer substitute.

Senator Homan offered the following substitute for bill and amendments:

A bill to be entitled an act to apportion the State of Texas into eleven Congressional Districts.

WHEREAS, in redistricting the State into congressional districts it is of paramount importance,

1. That the districts should be certainly Democratic.

2. That the election of certain distinguished Democrats be made absolutely sure; and,

WHEREAS, Geography, numerical strength, identity of interest and compactness of territory have no rights which this Legislature is bound to respect; therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Legislature of Texas,* That the State of Texas be and is hereby divided into eleven congressional districts, as herein described, who shall elect one member each to the Congress of the United States.

Sec. 2. The First Congressional District shall be composed of the county of Galveston, and the following counties shall be attached thereto for congressional purposes: Brazoria, Fort Bend, Waller, Austin, Washington, Burleson, Milam, Falls and Bell.

Sec. 3. The Second Congressional District shall be composed of the county of Anderson, and the following counties shall be attached thereto for congressional purposes: Henderson, Houston, Cherokee, Nacogdoches, Shelby, Sabine, San Augustine, Angelina, Trinity, Polk, Tyler, Jasper, Newton, Orange, Jefferson, Hardin, Liberty, San Jacinto and Chambers.

Sec. 4. The Third Congressional District shall be composed of the county of Marion, and the following counties are attached thereto for congressional purposes: Rusk, Panola, Gregg, Harrison, Upshur, Camp, Cass, Morris, Titus, Red River and Bowie.

Sec. 5. The Fourth Congressional District shall be composed of the county of Dallas, and the following counties are attached thereto for congressional purposes: Rockwall, Kauffman, Ellis, Johnson, Hood, Parker and Tarrant.

Sec. 6. The Fifth Congressional District shall be composed of the county of Collin, and the following counties are attached thereto for congressional purposes: Grayson, Denton, Cook, Wise, Jack, Young, Archer, Wichita, Clay and Montague.

Sec. 7. The Sixth Congressional District shall be composed of the county of Eastland, and the following counties are attached thereto for congressional purposes: Hill, McLennan, Bosque, Erath, Coryell, Hamilton, Brown, Comanche, Stephens and Palo Pinto.

Sec. 8. The Seventh Congressional District shall be composed of the county of Harris, and the following counties are attached thereto for congressional purposes: Montgomery, Grimes, Walker, Leon, Madison, Brazos, Robertson, Limestone and Freestone.

Sec. 9. The Eighth Congressional District shall be composed of the county of Navarro, and the following counties are attached thereto for congressional purposes: Van Zandt, Smith, Wood, Rains, Hunt, Hopkins, Franklin, Fannin, Delta and Lamar.

Sec. 10. The Ninth Congressional District shall be composed of the county of Guadalupe, and the following counties are attached thereto for congressional purposes: Matagorda, Calhoun, Victoria, Jackson, Wharton, Colorado, Lavaca, DeWitt, Gonzales, Caldwell, Fayette, Bastrop and Lee.

Sec. 11. The Tenth Congressional District shall be composed of the county of Bexar, and the following counties are attached thereto for congressional purposes: Kinney, Uvalde, Medina, Wilson, Karnes, Atascosa, Frio, Zavalla, Maverick, Dimmitt, La Salle, McMullen, Live Oak, Goliad, Bee, San Patricio, Nueces, Duval, Encinal, Webb, Zapata, Hidalgo and Cameron.

Sec. 12. The Eleventh Congressional District shall be composed of the county of Travis, and the following counties are attached thereto for congressional purposes: Crockett, Bandera, Kendall, Hays, Blanco, Burnet, Williamson, Lampasas, San Saba, Llano, Mason, Gillespie, Kerr, Conal, Edwards, Menard, Kimble, McCulloch, Concho, Tom Green, Pecos, Presidio, El Paso, Runnels, Coleman, Callahan, Taylor, Nolan, Mitchell, Howard, Martin, Andrews, Gaines, Dawson, Borden, Scurry, Fisher, Jones, Shackelford, Throckmorton, Haskell, Stonewall, Kent, Garza, Linn, Terry, Yoakum, Cochran, Hockley, Lubbock, Crosby, Dickens, King, Knox, Baylor, Wilbarger, Hardeman, Cottle, Motley, Floyd, Hale, Lamb, Bailey, Parmer, Castro, Swisher, Briscoe, Hall, Guildress, Greer, Collingsworth, Donley, Armstrong, Randall, Deaf Smith, Oldham, Potter, Carson, Grey, Wheeler, Memphis, Hutchinson, Moore, Hartley, Dallam, Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree and Lipscomb.

Sec. 13. In order the more effectually to accomplish the objects of this bill, it is declared that members of Congress shall have been for at least two years prior to their election, actual residents of the districts which they represent, and no person who shall remove to such district from any of the counties attached to it shall be eligible to Congress, said counties being attached for voting purposes only.

Senator Gooch moved call of Senate. Call succeded.

Roll called. Absent, Senator Lair.

Pending business went to the table.

Senator Ross called up joint resolution No. 1, providing for the payment of statistical clerks, on its second reading.

Senate announced full.

Main question was ordered by the following vote:

YEAS—15.

Brown,	Gooch,	McDonald,
Buchanan,	Harris,	Moore,
Burges,	Hightower,	Patton,
Davenport,	Lair,	Ross,
Duncan,	McLane,	Tilson.

NAYS—14.

Burton,	Martin,	Swain,
Davis,	Rainey,	Terrell,
Homan,	Shannon,	Weatherred,
Houston,	Stewart,	Wynne.
Lightfoot,	Stubbs,	

The Senate refused to reconsider by the following vote:

YEAS—14.

Brown,	Lair,	Stubbs,
Buchanan,	Lightfoot,	Terrell,
Davis,	Martin,	Tilson,
Duncan,	Rainey,	Weatherred.
Houston,	Shannon,	

NAYS—15.

Burges,	Hightower,	Patton,
Burton,	Homan,	Ross,
Davenport,	McLane,	Stewart,
Gooch,	McDonald,	Swain,
Harris,	Moore,	Wynne.

Senator Houston's substitute was lost by the following vote:

YEAS—10.

Burton,	Martin,	Stewart,
Davis,	Rainey,	Terrell,
Houston,	Shannon,	Weatherred.
Lightfoot,		

NAYS—10.

Brown,	Hightower,	Patton,
Buchanan,	Homan,	Ross,
Burges,	Lair,	Stubbs,
Davenport,	McLane,	Swain,
Duncan,	McDonald,	Tilson,
Gooch,	Moore,	Wynne.
Harris,		

Senator Homan's substitute was lost by the following vote:

YEAS—2.

Burton,	Homan.
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NAYS—27.

Brown,	Houston,	Ross,
Buchanan,	Lair,	Shannon,
Burges,	Lightfoot,	Stewart,
Davenport,	Martin,	Stubbs,
Davis,	McLane,	Swain,
Duncan,	McDonald,	Terrell,
Gooch,	Moore,	Tilson,
Harris,	Patton,	Weatherred,
Hightower,	Rainey,	Wynne.

Senator Homan moved that the substitute offered by him be omitted from the journal.

Objection being made to the omission, it was ordered printed.

The bill was passed to its third reading by the following vote:

YEAS—18.

Buchanan,	Hightower,	Patton,
Burges,	Lair,	Rainey,
Davenport,	Martin,	Ross,
Duncan,	McLane,	Swain,
Gooch,	McDonald,	Tilson,
Harris,	Moore,	Wynne.

NAYS—11.

Brown,	Houston,	Stubbs,
Burton,	Lightfoot,	Terrell,
Davis,	Shannon,	Weatherred.
Homan,	Stewart,	

The following messages were received from his Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }  
AUSTIN, April 25, 1882. }

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives in the Legislature assembled:

I herewith submit for your information and for such action thereon as may be deemed proper, the report of Mr. R. R. Robertson, State Fish Commissioner. In doing so, I beg leave to call particular attention to the fact that the law of the last session relating to this subject fixed the salary at fifteen hundred dollars per annum, but it was omitted in the appropriation act. J. H. Dinkins was appointed Fish Commissioner on the first day of April, 1881, and served in said office until the eighteenth of December of the same year. His widow is, as I am informed, his only heir and legal representative. Mr. R. R. Robertson of Austin, who was practically in the management of the business of the office, was appointed Fish Commissioner on the twenty-seventh of December, 1881, and has served until



the present time. His report will show that he is making the business one of considerable interest to the people of Texas.

I respectfully recommend that an appropriation be made to the widow of J. H. Dinkins for the time served by her husband from the first of April to the eighteenth of December, 1881, and to R. R. Robertson for the balance of that year; and also that an appropriation be made for said salary for the year ending the twenty-eighth of February, 1883. Respectfully submitted,

O. M. ROBERTS, Governor.

#### REPORT OF THE FISH COMMISSIONER OF TEXAS.

To His Excellency, O. M. Roberts, Governor of Texas:

SIR—In regard to the work done by the late Major J. H. Dinkins, as Fish Commissioner, after the passage of the act of March 31, 1881, chapter 78, General Laws, Seventeenth Legislature, I am informed by General W. P. Harkness that in January, 1881, he went to Washington for Major Dinkins and received from the United States Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries three hundred thousand shad. The fish were brought out to Texas in two shipments of one hundred and fifty thousand each.

The first shipment, intended for the Colorado, Guadalupe and San Antonio rivers, reached Austin in good condition, and the fish were deposited by Major Dinkins in those streams.

The other shipment intended for the Neches, Trinity and Brazos did not fare so well. When the messengers in charge reached the Sabine they found the fish too weak to bear further transportation, so the whole shipment (150,000) was turned loose in that stream.

In December, 1881, Major Dinkins engaged me to go to Washington, to receive from the United States Commission of Fish and Fisheries 18,000 carp, to engage messengers to attend the shipment of the fish and to generally superintend the transportation of the same to Texas. On reaching Washington I found that Major Dinkins labored under a misapprehension as to the manner in which fish were distributed by the United States Fish Commission. His impression was that all the fish intended for applicants in Texas would be delivered to him by the United States Fish Commission, and that he, as State Fish Commissioner, would manage and control the distribution.

The accompanying circular from Professor S. F. Baird, United States Commissioner, Fisheries, and the blank form of application fully explain the manner in which carp are obtained from and distributed by the United States Fish Commission.

#### UNITED STATES COMMISSION, FISH AND FISHERIES, WASHINGTON, D. C.

DEAR SIR—In order to obtain a supply of German carp from the United States Fish Commission the enclosed blank form of application must be filled out in accordance with the instructions thereon, and returned to me after having received the favorable endorsement of one of the United States Senators from your State, or the Representative from your district.

In sending your application state whether you wish to have the fish forwarded direct by express (at your expense), or whether you prefer to await the next general distribution in your State. Should you prefer to have them sent by express they will be forwarded as soon as a supply is available for the purpose.

The next general distribution will be made in the ensuing fall and winter, beginning about the first of October.

Before the distribution begins in your State a circular, giving definite information in regard to the time and manner of supplying you, will be mailed to your address.

Very respectfully yours,

S. F. BAIRD, United States Commissioner, Fisheries.

[To be transmitted, when filed and endorsed, to "S. F. Baird, U. S. Fish Commission, Washington, D. C."]

#### U. S. FISH COMMISSION—APPLICATION FOR CARP.

Date .....  
Name .....  
Postoffice Address (give also county and State).....  
Location of Pond .....  
Nearest Railroad Station .....  
Nearest Express Office .....  
Nearest Telegraph Office .....  
Name of Railroad .....  
Area of Pond .....  
Character of Bottom .....  
What other Fish does it contain .....

N. B.—This blank, when filled, should be transmitted to S. F. Baird, United States Fish Commission, Washington, D. C., through a member of Congress, who is requested to make any endorsement he may think proper, as to the propriety of granting the application.

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING UP BLANKS.

Under "Location of Pond," mention State and county, and in what part of the county, or near what town or village the pond is situated.

Under "Nearest Railroad Station," mention name of station at which you could most conveniently meet the fish, and below it the name of the railroad it is situated upon.

Indicate "Area in Pond" in acres.

Under "Character of Bottom," mention whether it is muddy, boggy, or gravelly.

If already stocked with fish, mention the variety.

#### MEMORANDUM.

It may be well to state that it is of no use to introduce carp in waters already occupied with such fish as bass, sunfish, perch, trout or any other flesh-eating species whatever; even chubs and minnows are objectionable. Although the fish supplied might not be liable to injury, their eggs and young would certainly be devoured, and no result would come from the experiment.

It is, therefore, recommended to persons interested in the subject who are not sure that their present ponds are free from fish, to begin by preparing a pond, of say fifty feet square, for the reception of the carp. After they have attained the age of from three to six months, they may be transferred to other suitable waters.

From Washington I advised Major Dinkins that the United States Fish Commission would not consent to his having the control and distribution of carp to be supplied applicants in Texas by that department. On account of the misapprehension of Major Dinkins in regard to the matter, the United States Fish Commission, on the twentieth of December last, delivered me fifteen hundred carp. The fish were immediately started for Dallas in charge of two competent messengers; it being understood that Major Dinkins would receive the fish at that place, and conduct the distribution in person.

On reaching Sherman the sad intelligence of the death Major Dinkins reached me. Temporary arrangements were made at Dallas for the safe keeping of the fifteen hundred carp, and one hundred Japanese gold fish that had been purchased by order of Major Dinkins. The facts and circumstances were reported to your Excellency, who, on December 27, 1881, appointed me Fish Commissioner.

The fish at Dallas were distributed as speedily as possible, and as nearly in accordance with the intentions of the lamented Major Dinkins as circumstances would admit. The fish had been seven days without food—if fed in cans they foul the water and die rapidly.

Many of the gold fish died, and some were brought by me to Austin and placed in the basin of the fountain in the grounds of the executive mansion.

The carp were distributed as follows, viz:

Geo. C. Maner, Dallas county.....	20
Julius E. Schneider, Dallas county.....	10
Wm. Caruth, Dallas county.....	20
W. H. Flippen, Dallas county.....	10
C. Haberman, Dallas county.....	16
F. H. Davenport, Dallas county.....	20
Walter Caruth, Dallas county.....	20
J. P. Lawrence, Dallas county.....	16
S. A. Lawrence, Dallas county.....	16
S. W. Caldwell, Dallas county.....	16
George S. Coleman, Dallas county.....	16
H. A. Kidd, Dallas county.....	16
A. B. Lawler, Dallas county.....	16
S. A. Haight, Dallas county.....	10
W. P. Johnson, Dallas county.....	10
B. B. Paddock, Tarrant county.....	20
J. J. Jarvis, Tarrant county.....	20
— Evans, Tarrant county.....	20
Joseph Bledsoe, Grayson county.....	20
G. R. Reeves, Grayson county.....	20

(The fish sent G. R. Reeves, were, by mistake, placed in the pond of Joseph Bledsoe.)

W. R. Shannon, Parker county.....	16
I. N. Roach, Parker county.....	16
Frank Baker, Red River county.....	16
W. B. Morrison, Red River county.....	16
W. M. McMaster, Red River county.....	16
Peter B. Clark, Red River county.....	16
J. B. Donoho, Red River county.....	16
W. J. Swain, Red River county.....	16
Wm. M. Brown, Red River county.....	16
Sam Moore, Red River county.....	16
J. H. Barks, Red River county.....	16
D. F. Lathner, Lamar county.....	16
R. J. Patton, Lamar county.....	16
M. W. Moody, Lamar county.....	16
J. S. Crook, Lamar county.....	16
M. E. Bean, Lamar county.....	16
W. B. Wise, Lamar county.....	16

W. W. Still, Lamar county.....	16
Col. Crockett, Lamar county.....	16
Bassano Brothers, Lamar county.....	16
W. S. Oldham, Denton county.....	16
W. J. Wheeler, Denton county.....	16
M. Fulton, Denton county.....	16
W. A. Kendall, Denton county.....	16
J. N. Craven, Denton county.....	16
S. P. Hart, Denton county.....	16

The fish sent to Denton were sent in charge of Mr. W. J. Wheeler, and I understand some of the gentlemen named above did not get their fish.

R. K. Chatham, Brazos county.....	16
W. R. Rhodes, Brazos county.....	16
J. W. Storey, Freestone county.....	16
I. N. Roberts, Freestone county.....	16
J. S. Grinnan, Kaufman county.....	16
R. L. Hightower, Harrison county.....	16
W. J. Covin, Harrison county.....	16
O. H. P. Wood, Harrison county.....	16
W. S. Robinson, Navarro county.....	16
S. T. Wheeler, Navarro county.....	16
S. R. Frost, Navarro county.....	16
Marion Martin, Navarro county.....	16
B. T. Barry, Navarro county.....	16

One hundred and forty-four carp, being sixteen each for nine applicants, were sent by express to Hon. G. F. Todd, at Jefferson. Many of the fish died. The living ones were distributed as follows, viz:

I. G. Eason, Marion county.....	20
— Rainey, Marion county.....	20
J. H. Beamor, Marion county.....	20
J. T. Veal, Marion county.....	20
— Lockett, Marion county.....	20
— Lockett, Marion county.....	20

Two hundred and ten carp were sent to Hon. J. Q. Chenoweth, Bonham. Many of the fish died, and the remainder were distributed as follows, viz:

James Paxton, Fannin county.....	10
J. N. B. Henslee, Fannin county.....	12
R. W. Holland, Fannin county.....	15
Charles Carleton, Fannin county.....	10
Moses Allen, Fannin county.....	7
James Monk, Fannin county.....	7
George Long, Fannin county.....	7
S. King, Fannin county.....	7
T. D. Barthly, Fannin county.....	7
Samuel Johnson, Fannin county.....	7
W. B. Lock, Fannin county.....	7
J. S. Sannels, Fannin county.....	6
Thomas C. Beam, Fannin county.....	6
Peter B. Medley, Fannin county.....	10
Hugh Stephens, Fannin county.....	5
W. H. Lewis, Fannin county.....	10
J. C. Smith, Fannin county.....	7
J. F. German, Fannin county.....	10

One hundred and twenty-eight carp for distribution to eight applicants (sixteen to each) were sent to Hon. H. C. Mack, McKinney, Collin county. These fish, I am informed by Col. Mack, were all put in one tank near the town of McKinney, "for future distribution." The act of March 31, 1882, very plainly contemplated the establishment of some system of fish hatching and breeding by the State Commissioner.

#### CARP PONDS.

For the production of carp in large numbers several important conditions had to be looked after. The ponds should be made after the most approved method, fed with an abundant supply of good pure water in which aquatic plants will grow luxuriantly, located away from any probable danger of overflow, and the supply of water such that when drawn off they can be rapidly refilled.

#### HATCHING ESTABLISHMENT.

No less important is a well equipped hatching establishment where shad and other fish can be easily and cheaply hatched and the streams of the State stocked. Fish hatching is no experiment. While the loss of eggs naturally deposited is not less than ninety per cent, the loss in hatching spawn artificially is less than five per cent. For a hatching establishment cool water is absolutely necessary. Water much exceeding the temperature of 70 degrees Fahrenheit would not answer.

#### LOCATION OF CARP PONDS.

The Commissioner has located ponds on Barton Creek, near Austin. The supply of water is ample, and never failing, the tempera-

ture of the water is 70 degrees, Fahrenheit, in the springs. Two ponds are already completed and a third is being made. A spawning or hatching pond is stocked with fifty mature scale carp, some of which are twenty-four inches long, and as the estimated yield of small fry from every spawning fish is from 800 to 1000, the first year's work as far as carp culture is concerned will probably be satisfactory. The ponds are supplied with water from Barton Spring by a rotary pump, capacity 6000 gallons per hour; the pump is driven by a twenty-inch turbine wheel located in the flume of English & English's Barton Spring Mill. Water cress and other aquatic plants grow well in the waters of the spring and creek.

The supply of water, luxuriant growth of plants in which carp delight, and the temperature, make the location not only suitable for carp ponds, but for a hatching establishment. The supply for the ponds, conducted through pipes and dikes, becomes warm enough for carp, while the water used direct from the spring and creek will answer well for hatching shad, California trout, and other fish.

The land upon which the ponds are located was leased from Mr. J. A. Nagle, of Austin, the Commissioner paying him \$200 for the use of between four and five acres of land from February 18, 1881, to March 31, 1881, and can continue the lease at the same rate. On account of the location and water front on Barton's creek, it would in all probability be better for the State to buy the land. No better location for fish culture, and fish hatching, can be had in the State. Land adjoining has recently sold for \$150 per acre, and that upon which the ponds are located can be bought for the same price.

The arrangements with Messrs. English & English, by which they are to receive \$25 per month for attending the pumps and furnishing the power to supply the ponds with water, was the best that could be made. At any time the pump can be removed to the water front on Barton's creek, and attached to a small engine, and the water supplied in that way.

The cost of transporting fish, carp, shad, or any other kind, from Washington to Texas, is necessarily great. All the carp necessary to supply any reasonable demand can be easily produced in the ponds already completed and the one now being made. A well equipped hatching establishment can be constructed for \$1500, and the entire cost of ponds complete, pumps and power to supply water, and also the necessary hatching, will not exceed the expense of transporting a few thousand fish from Washington.

The Commissioner can obtain almost any number of eggs (spawn) of shad, California trout and other valuable fish, and at small cost. The eggs can be sent to Texas easily and cheaply by express, can be hatched here, and the rivers and streams of the State well stocked.

In closing this report, the Commissioner deems it not amiss to call your Excellency's attention to the fact that, while the act of March 31, 1881, fixed the salary of the Fish Commissioner of the State, and appropriated five thousand dollars annually "for the preservation and distribution of fish," no appropriation was made to pay the salary, consequently neither the lamented Major Dinkins nor the present Commissioner has received any compensation from the State.

As the entire undivided attention of the Commissioner is necessary, in order to perform his duties to any purpose, this omission to provide for the salary fixed by law, would, doubtless, be remedied by the Legislature, should your Excellency call the attention of that honorable body to the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

R. R. ROBERTSON, Commissioner.

AUSTIN, April 17, 1882.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE FISH COMMISSIONER OF TEXAS.

April 24, 1882.

To his Excellency O. M. Roberts, Governor of Texas:

Herewith I hand you a detailed account of the expenditures of this office for the year ending March 31, 1882, and also attach an account of expenses from April 1 to 24, current year, and an estimate of necessary expenses for the year ending March 31, 1883.

The estimate of five hundred dollars for transportation of fish from Washington was made necessary on account of previous engagements in regard to the shipment of five thousand California trout to Texas.

The United States Fish Commission is satisfied that this fish will do well in the clear, cool streams of Western Texas, and the experiment is well worth making, as hundreds of thousands of the eggs can be cheaply procured and hatched here at small expense; the eggs can be shipped direct from California by express.

No one person can possibly attend to all the details of fish breeding and fish hatching in a State institution. The estimate of nine hundred dollars for an assistant to act as guard and watchman at carp ponds, is probably too low, as none but a competent and reliable man should be employed.

The estimate for assistants at hatchery is enough, as their services would only be needed during the hatching season.

The estimate for transportation of fish to distributing points, I



think, is enough. The act of March 31, 1881, indicates that the Commissioner should establish distributing points for supplying fish for private use to applicants—carp, for instance.

The estimate of five hundred dollars for house for watchman, and storage of property, is sufficient, as a good enough building for that purpose can be constructed for that amount.

The appropriation for the current year is five thousand dollars. Deducting from that amount the sum of eight hundred and forty-four dollars and twenty-two cents (\$844.22) already expended, leaves a balance of four thousand, one hundred and fifty-five dollars and seventy-eight cents (\$4,155.78).

The estimate calls for six thousand, two hundred and fifty-five dollars (\$6,255), leaving the amount of two thousand sixty-nine dollars and twenty-two cents (\$2,069.22) in excess of the appropriation for the year ending March 31, 1883.

If this work is to be carried on in earnest it will certainly be to the interest of the State to place the establishment on a proper footing as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,  
R. R. ROBERTSON, Commissioner.

AUSTIN, April 24, 1882.

#### ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1882.

1881.

April 1—To rent of postoffice box April 1, 1881, to June 1, 1881.....	\$1 50
April 11—To J. A. Nagle, stationery.....	4 25
April 12—To postage stamps.....	41 00
April 12—To B. J. Kopperl, letter press and envelopes..	13 72
April 30—To traveling expenses of Commissioner, April 1 to April 30, 1881.....	61 10
May 18—To Dan Creary, for distributing fish.....	16 50
May 31—To traveling expenses of Commissioner May 1 to 31, 1881.....	51 10
June 7—To D. W. Jones & Co., 1 office chair.....	12 50
June 18—To H. C. Randolph, traveling expenses and services as messenger distributing fish.....	16 25
June 18—To United States Fish Commission, 12 fish cans, at \$2.00 per can.....	24 00
June 20—To G. G. Davenport, for travelling expenses of two messengers, Washington to Austin and Austin to San Antonio, and cost of transporting fish.....	350 00
June 20—To G. G. Davenport, traveling expenses of two messengers, Austin to Washington, D. C.....	154 00
June 20—To G. G. Davenport, expenses in Austin.....	12 00
June 21—To Grooms Lee, 11 days services as messenger, at \$3 per day.....	33 00
June 21—To traveling expenses of Gen. Hardeman and G. Lee to Washington.....	141 70
June 21—To hotel expenses of Gen. Hardeman and G. Lee in Washington.....	24 00
June 21—To traveling expenses of Gen. Hardeman and Moore from Washington.....	118 10
June 21—To Gen. W. P. Hardeman, 12 days services at \$5 per day.....	60 00
June 21—To M. G. Barrow, for distributing fish in the Colorado river.....	18 00
June 30—To traveling expenses of Commissioner, June 1 to June 30.....	50 40
July 1—To rent of postoffice box to September 30, 1881.....	1 50
July 1—To M. Miller, transfer of fish cans.....	2 00
July 31—To expenses of distributing shad.....	36 00
Aug. 6—To B. J. Kopperl, stationery and letter heads.....	6 85
Aug. 31—To traveling expenses of Commissioner examining ponds and springs at San Antonio.....	38 00
Sept. 1—To Austin Water Company, water rent for the year 1881.....	24 00
Sept. 30—To traveling expenses of Commissioner examining ponds and fish ladders, September 1 to 30, 1881.....	54 50
Oct. 1—To rent of postoffice box to December 31, 1881.....	1 50
Nov. 20—To telegrams.....	6 00
Nov. 20—To repairs of reservoir.....	16 00
Nov. 20—To repairs of fish cans.....	5 00
Nov. 20—To fish net.....	1 50
Nov. 20—To incidental and sundry expenses.....	23 90
Dec. 1—To premium on draft on New York, \$2164.35, at $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.....	5 40
Dec. 1—To premium on draft on New York, \$500, at $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.....	1 25
Dec. 1—To Texas Express Company, freight on 12 cans to Washington, D. C.....	6 50
Dec. 2—To telegrams.....	9 60
Dec. 2—To postage stamps.....	21 00

Dec. 2—To stationery.....	2 00
Dec. 8—To telegrams.....	7 75
Dec. 9—To telegrams.....	9 10
Dec. 10—To telegrams.....	2 40
Dec. 15—To telegrams.....	1 20
Dec. 15—To Iron Clad Company, New York, 12 60-quart fish cans at \$7.50.....	90 00
Dec. 16—To cartage on fish cans.....	1 00
Dec. 16—To cleaning fish cans.....	6 00
Dec. 16—To two blank books at 75 cents.....	1 50
1881.	
Dec. 17—To A. C. Stevens, three dip nets at \$2.....	6 00
Dec. 17—To L. H. Schneider, lantern and rubber tubing.....	5 50
Dec. 17—To United States Fish Commissioner, two buckets and two dippers.....	3 50
Dec. 19—To A. Woll, Sr., 100 Japanese goldfish.....	25 00
Dec. 23—To C. A. Gill, one fish tank.....	25 00
Dec. 23—To E. C. Hosmer, plumbers work on fish tank.....	3 07
Dec. 23—To H. Hamilton, painting and marking fish cans.....	15 00
Dec. 24—To telegrams.....	3 50
Dec. 24—To excavation, setting and moving fish tank.....	10 50
Dec. 24—To ditching outlet from fish tank.....	1 75
Dec. 26—To two fish buckets.....	3 50
Dec. 26—To expenses, transportation of fish from Washington to Dallas.....	176 75
Dec. 26—To G. G. Davenport, traveling expenses, Washington to New York, Washington to Baltimore, Washington to Dallas, and services as messenger; traveling expenses, San Antonio to Washington.....	418 10
Dec. 26—To R. R. Robertson, 27 days services in superintending shipment of fish at \$5.....	135 00
\$3149 14	

1882.

Jan. 1—To traveling expenses of Commissioner, December 27 to Jan. 1.....	26 75
Jan. 1—To rent of postoffice drawer, Jan. 1 to Mar. 31, 1882.....	4 00
Jan. 3—To Tramwell & Sansom, four 7-gallon fish cans, \$1.....	4 00
Jan. 3—To tags, twine and stationery.....	3 75
Jan. 9—To G. G. Davenport, expenses distributing fish.....	133 49
Jan. 19—To E. W. Swindel, letter heads and envelopes.....	6 50
Jan. 27—To J. A. Nagle, blank books and stationery.....	23 80
Jan. 31—To G. G. Davenport, services as messenger and traveling expenses, Jan. 10 to Jan. 31, 1882.....	128 70
Jan. 31—To expenses keeping and distributing carp.....	86 90
Jan. 31—To telegrams, Jan. 1 to 31, 1882.....	53 95
Dec. 26—To C. D. Walsh, traveling expenses and services as messenger, 26 days.....	405 95
Dec. 26—To R. R. Robertson, traveling expenses, November 30, 1881, to December 26, 1881.....	318 45
Jan. 31—To keeping and transporting gold fish.....	9 40
Jan. 31—To M. Miller, transferring fish cans.....	2 50
Jan. 31—To Texas Express Co., freight on fish cans from Paris and Clarksville.....	3 00
Jan. 31—To traveling expenses of Commissioner, Jan. 1 to 31.....	126 25
Feb. 8—To D. W. Jones & Co., one office desk.....	25 00
Feb. 18—To J. A. Nagle, lease of land for carp ponds, Feb. 18, 1881 to March 31, 1884.....	200 00
Feb. 28—To traveling expenses of Commissioner, surveyor and rodman.....	62 75
Feb. 28—To telegrams, Feb. 1 to 28.....	16 80
Mar. 2—To W. Tipps ten 12 feet 10 inch iron pipes, \$25.....	250 00
Mar. 9—To D. Shehan, ditching 338 yards, covering pipes 338 yards.....	84 50
Mar. 11—To G. T. Rabb, privilege of laying pipe through cultivated lands.....	25 00
Mar. 25—To D. Shenan, excavations and embankments carp ponds, 770 cubic yards at 15 cents.....	115 50
Mar. 31—To E. Parker, excavation and embankments carp ponds, 250 cubic yards at 20c.....	50 00
Mar. 31—To telegrams Mar. 1 to 31.....	19 25
Mar. 31—To traveling expenses of Commissioner.....	76 50
Mar. 31—To expenses seining Hannig's pond.....	3 25
Mar. 31—To hauling fish cans.....	1 50
Mar. 31—To J. K. P. McFall, engineer service in work on carp ponds.....	125 00
Mar. 31—To Chas. von Rosenberg, for fifty mature carp.....	63 00

Mar. 31—To D. A. J. Howell, transportation of carp and hire of wagon.....	25 00
Mar. 31—To Domschke & Kluge, one seine 8x60 feet....	15 00
Mar. 31—To English & English, pumping water one month.....	25 00

Total ..... \$4,978 78  
March 25 to April 25.

## EXPENDED SINCE MARCH 31, 1882.

April 1—To rent of postoffice box to June 30.....	4 00
April 8—To B. Melasky & Son, for ice blankets.....	20 00
April 11—To W. Tipps, for one twenty-inch turbine wheel.....	213 27
April 12—To Copes & Bass, for rotary pump, connections and siphons, and setting pump.....	304 75
April 15—To W. Tipps, one hatchet and one tape line....	2 25
April 16—To E. Parker, earth and stone work at carp ponds.....	224 75
April 16—To D. Shehan, earth work on carp ponds....	75 00

Total ..... \$844 22

## ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1883.

Transportation of fish from Washington, D. C.....	\$ 50 000
Fencing carp ponds.....	350 00
Additional work on carp ponds.....	250 00
Supplying ponds with water.....	275 00
Assistant to act also as watchman and guard at carp ponds	900 00
Stationery, postage and telegrams.....	100 00
Traveling expenses.....	500 00
House for watchman and storage of property at carp ponds	500 00
Hatching establishment and equipments.....	1,500 00
Assistants at hatching.....	750 00
Transportation of fish to distributing points.....	500 00
Office rent.....	100 00

\$6,225 00

Referred to committee on Finance.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,  
AUSTIN, April 25, 1882.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives in the Legislature assembled:

To prevent any difference of opinion about the effect of my having asked to withdraw my recommendation of a pension for such Texas veterans as need it for their support, which was done through an inadvertence on my part in the press of business, which I am free to acknowledge should not have occurred, I hereby renew said recommendation, with the hope and urgent desire that such of said veterans as are known to be poor and needing it shall be now granted a pension, by name directly. And if any such shall have been omitted they may be provided for hereafter.

Respectfully submitted,

O. M. ROBERTS, Governor.

Referred to committee on Finance.

Senator Ross moved to adopt House joint resolution No. 1, "Authorizing the Board of Statistics to apply such portion of the existing appropriation as may be necessary for the payment of statistical clerks," as a substitute for Senate joint resolution No. 1, of similar import. Adopted, and resolution read second time.

Senator Stubbs moved to suspend rules and place resolution on its third reading. Adopted, and resolution placed on its third reading by the following vote:

## YEAS—23.

Brown,	Houston,	Shannon,
Buchanan,	Lightfoot,	Stewart,
Burges,	Martin,	Stubbs,
Davenport,	McDonald,	Swain,
Davis,	Moore,	Terrell,
Gooch,	Patton,	Tilson,
Harris,	Rainey,	Weatherred,
Hightower,	Ross,	Wynne.

## NAYS—1.

Duncan.

Resolution read third time and passed by the following vote:

## YEAS—23.

Brown,	Davis,	Houston,
Buchanan,	Gooch,	Lightfoot,
Burges,	Harris,	Martin,
Davenport,	Hightower,	McDonald,

Moore,	Shannon,	Terrell,
Patton,	Stubbs,	Weatherred,
Rainey,	Swain,	Wynne.
Ross,		

## NAYS—2.

Duncan, Tilson.

Senator Terrell, by leave, presented a petition of employees of Lunatic Asylum, asking an increase of salary. Referred to Committee on Asylums.

Senator Homan, for Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, April 25, 1882.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, have carefully examined and compared Senate bill No. 38, "An act to provide temporary shelter for the lunatics in the asylum, rendered necessary by the recent burning of one of the Lunatic Asylum buildings," and Senate bill No. 39, "An act to authorize district judges to fix times for holding district courts in newly organized counties," and find the same correctly enrolled and properly signed, and on this day at 11:15 o'clock a. m., presented the same to the Governor for his signature. W. K. HOMAN, for Committee.

Senator Rainey, for Committee on Public Printing, by leave, submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, April 25, 1882.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Public Printing, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 25, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'an act to procure from the publishing house owning the copyright certain volumes of the early reports of the Supreme and Appellate Courts of the State,' approved March 15, 1881," have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the bill back with the accompanying substitute for the bill and to recommend the passage of the substitute. RAINNEY, for Committee.

On motion of Senator Duncan, Senate adjourned to 9:30 a. m. to-morrow.

## EIGHTEENTH DAY.

SENATE CHAMBER,  
AUSTIN, TEXAS, April 26, 1882. }

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

Roll called; quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Senator Rainey, the reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

Senator Stewart, Chairman of Judiciary Committee No. 2, submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, April 26, 1882.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was recommitted Senate bill No. 19, entitled a bill to be entitled "An act to amend articles 3602 and 3603, of chapter 10 of the Revised Civil Code, entitled 'of hiring county convicts,'" and the substitute therefor, beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same, and have prepared a substitute for the original bill and substitute, and I am instructed to report it to the Senate, and to recommend its adoption.

STEWART, Chairman.

Bill read first time with substitutes.

Senator Houston, for Committee on Judicial Districts, submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, April 26, 1882.

Hon. L. J. Storey, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred House bill No. 73, "An act to attach the unorganized county of Crockett to the county of Kinney for judicial purposes," have considered the same, and instruct me to recommend its passage; and that at as early a day as practicable, for the reason that said unorganized county is not now attached to any county for judicial purposes, and that no court of Texas has jurisdiction over said territory. Houston, for Committee,